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Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination.

Our check in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed to cover the required fee for a large entity.

Included with this filing is an Amendment and Response and a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, which is responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 26, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the information in that Amendment and Response and accompanying Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132.

Respectfully submitted,

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